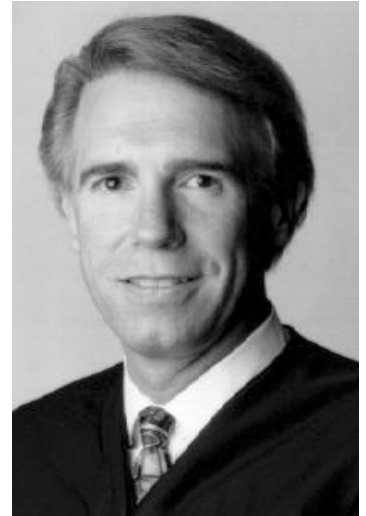




## *JUDICIAL PROFILE*

**Michael D. Jones** became a Superior Court judge in September 1995, and is currently assigned to the Criminal Department. He began his career on the bench in 1987 as a judge pro tem for Justice Court. He then became a fulltime Superior Court Commissioner beginning in 1988, serving in that capacity until his appointment as a judge. While attending the University of Arizona Law School, he augmented his classroom instruction with jobs in the Pima County Public Defender's Office and the Arizona Attorney General's Office. After being admitted to the bar, he spent eight years as a prosecutor with the Tucson City Prosecutor's Office, then moved to the State Attorney General, Criminal Appeals Section. There he handled several death penalty appeals before the Arizona Court of Appeals and Arizona Supreme Court. He also worked in the Maricopa County Attorney's Office, with assignments in the Major Felony and Sex Crimes units. Jones received his undergraduate degree from the University of Arizona.



Judge Jones received the Maricopa County Bar Association's Public Lawyer of the Year Award in 1995. He has volunteered countless hours to the Maricopa County Bar Association, serving in a leadership role on the Board of Directors, and working with several committees focused on diverse issues, including continuing legal education, technology and by-laws. Since 1996, Judge Jones has been chairman and member of the Arizona Judicial College "New Judge Orientation Committee." The committee is responsible for a yearly orientation of new Superior Court Judges throughout the state. Judge Jones is a adjunct professor at the Arizona State University College of Law. He also is on the faculty of the American Academy of Judicial Education, which hosts courses for judges twice a year, one at the Harvard University School of Law and the other in Key West Florida.